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INFO AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ECON MZ SF

SUBJ: SOUTH AFRICAN INTEREST IN PORT OF MAPUTO AND  
RAIL LINK

REF: MAPUTO 0833

1. SOUTH AFRICAN LEADER OF DELEGATION, KOBUS LOUBSHER, TOLD AFRIKANER JOURNALIST FRIEND, OTTO KRAUSE, THAT DELEGATION VISIT TO MAPUTO WAS THE RESULT OF INVITATION BY GPRM AND THAT MUCH PREPARATION HAD GONE INTO SEEING THAT VISIT WENT WELL. AS EXAMPLE, HE CITED THICK BRIEFING BOOK WITH FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT CAPACITY OF PORT AND RAILWAYS TO HANDLE SOUTH AFRICAN TRAFFIC WHICH MOZAMBICANS HANDED OUT DURING VISIT. LOUBSHER SAID MOZAMBIQUE PRESENTATION WAS "BETTER AND MORE COMPLETE THAN THE PORTUGUESE USED TO PREPARE".

2. ON SEPARATE SUBJECT, ENG. JOSE BRANQUINHO, PORTUGUESE  
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EMPLOYEE OF CFM RESIDENT IN MAPUTO RECENTLY SPENT WEEK

IN JOHANNESBURG ON MISSION TO PURCHASE SPARES FOR  
MOZAMBIQUE RAILWAYS. BRANQUINHO TOLD BPAO SITUATION  
OF SPARE PARTS WAS DESPERATE AND THAT SOUTH AFRICAN  
COMPANY "GENERAL MINING" HAD AGREED TO UNDERWRITE THE  
PURCHASE OF ESSENTIAL SPARE PARTS IN ORDER TO KEEP THE  
LINE IN OPERATION. BRANQUINHO PAINTED GRIM PICTURE OF  
RAILWAYS TRYING TO COPE WITH LACK OF TRAINED TECHNICIANS  
AS EXODUS CONTINUES.  
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